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This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application.
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This application has been examined Responsive to communication filed on 1/27/95 This action is made final.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire _____ month(s), 30 days from the date of this letter.
Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. 35 U.S.C. 133

Part I THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENT(S) ARE PART OF THIS ACTION:

1. Notice of References Cited by Examiner, PTO-892.
2. Notice of Draftsman's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.
3. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, PTO-1449.
4. Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152.
5. Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes, PTO-1474.
6. _____

Part II SUMMARY OF ACTION

1. Claims 1, 3, 4 and 9-12 are pending in the application.
Of the above, claims _____ are withdrawn from consideration.
2. Claims _____ have been cancelled.
3. Claims _____ are allowed.
4. Claims _____ are rejected.
5. Claims _____ are objected to.
6. Claims 1, 3, 4 and 9-12 are subject to restriction or election requirement.
7. This application has been filed with informal drawings under 37 C.F.R. 1.85 which are acceptable for examination purposes.
8. Formal drawings are required in response to this Office action.
9. The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on _____. Under 37 C.F.R. 1.84 these drawings are acceptable; not acceptable (see explanation) or Notice of Draftsman's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.
10. The proposed additional or substitute sheet(s) of drawings, filed on _____, has (have) been approved by the examiner; disapproved by the examiner (see explanation).
11. The proposed drawing correction, filed _____, has been approved; disapproved (see explanation).
12. Acknowledgement is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has been received not been received been filed in parent application, serial no. _____; filed on _____.
13. Since this application appears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.
14. Other

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Restriction to one of the following invention is required under 35 U.S.C. 121.

Group I. Claims 1, 3, and 4, drawn to treating cancer employing different compounds alone.

Group II. Claims 9-12, drawn to employing an enhanced combination of anticancer agents.

If applicants elect Group I, they are further required to elect a specific compound for examination in the merits.

If applicants elect Group II, they are further required to elect a specific combination of one anticancer agent with another ~~one~~ anticancer agent and to add a claim to the elected combination.

The several inventions above are independent and distinct, each from the other, as they have acquired a separate status in the art of treating cancer as a separate subject matter for inventive effect and require independent searches. It is noted that a reference to one enhanced combination of ingredients would not be a reference to another enhanced combination of ingredients under 35 U.S.C. 103. Further, the claims read on a multitude of enhanced combinations which would require many fields of searches that would be an undue burden on the examiner. Therefore restriction for examination purposes is proper.

Applicants are required to make a provisional election even though this requirement is traversed.

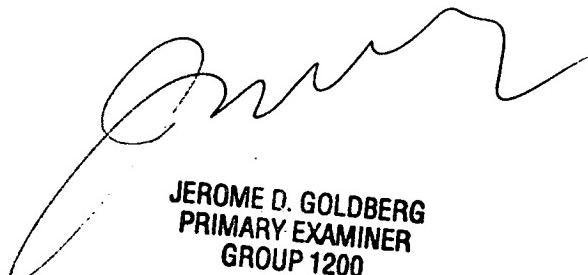
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